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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Kazuo MIYAGUCHI et al.

Appln. No.: 10/038,660

Group Art Unit: 3681

Filed: January 8, 2002

For: BALL SCREW DEVICE AND LINEAR MOTION DEVICE

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified  
patent application as indicated below.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend Claim 1 as set forth below.

- 1 *SCA* 1. (Amended) A linear motion device comprising:
- 2 a screw shaft of which an outer peripheral surface is
- 3 formed with a helical screw groove;

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